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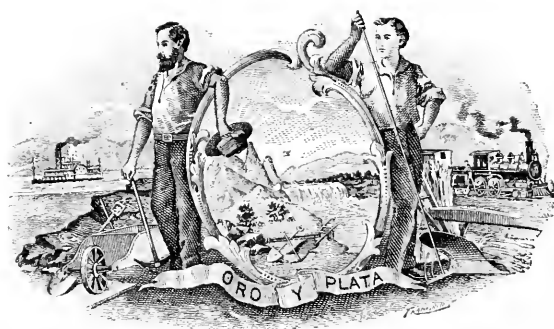
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Board of Managers Montana Soldiers' Home

Columbia Falls, Montana, Dec. 1, 1900.

To Hon. Robert B. Smith,
Governor of Montana.

Sir:—

In accordance with the provisions of Section 2516 of the Political Code, Laws of Montana, we have the honor to submit the following report for the year ending November 30th, 1900.

The number of inmates December 1, 1899, was fifty-one (51) present and absent. Since that date twenty-six (26) have been admitted, making a total of seventy-seven (77); of this number six have died and six been discharged, leaving a total membership at this date of sixty-five (65). Of these fifty-three (53) are present and twelve (12) absent. The average age of the inmates is sixty-two and one-half years. The percentage of men in the hospital, and under the care of the surgeon outside the hospital, is continually increasing. More than seventy-five (75) per cent. are now receiving medical attention. Soon it will be all hospital, and it is to this that the efforts of the Board and the Officers of the Home must in the future be directed.

It is reasonably certain that the number of applications for admission during the next two years will, each year, be at least equal to the number in the year just ended. It will be far beyond the capacity of the buildings now at our disposal to care for any such number, but in order to do all that can be done in that direction, the Board has decided to include in this estimate for the year ending November 30, 1901, an appropriation for a small building to be known as the "Chapel," this

building to be used for meetings, library and smoking-rooms, and other like purposes. This will release two rooms in the main building, with accommodations for twelve men each.

The new hospital has been completed and is fully ready for occupancy. The furniture, with the kitchen furniture and table-ware, is in the building ready to be set up. It is a most complete little building in every respect and admirably adapted to the purpose for which it is intended. In furnishing the wards, the beds and bedsteads were purchased by the Board, but all the bedding required, including forty towels and forty-eight night shirts, was most kindly donated by the Woman's Relief Corps of Butte and Philipsburg. The Board feels very grateful for the kindness and liberality of these women and have taken proper action thereon. The occupation of the hospital by such of the sick as are confined to their beds, will immediately make available for general use the room now occupied by them in the main building, which will furnish sleeping accommodations for twelve men. Applications for most of these vacancies are now on file and the balance will be, so soon as it is known that the men can be received.

The Resources of the Home for the year ending November 30, 1900, were as follows, to-wit:

By balance on hand December 1, 1899	\$ 1,414.06
State appropriation year ending Nov. 30, 1900.....	5,196.00
Received from Pensions	854.25
Received from U. S. Government	4,008.25
Received from sale buildings, Ft. Maginnis.....	1,700.00
Total	<u>\$13,172.56</u>

The Expenditures have been as follows, to-wit:

For current expenses, which includes expenses of Board of Managers, salary of Commandant, wages of employes, telegraph and telephone, stationery, printing and postage	\$ 3,249.27
For hospital expenses, including salary of physician, wages of nurses, medicines, extra articles of diet for the sick and burial of the dead	1,124.36
For subsistence and clothing	4,082.42

For construction, which includes payment on the hospital \$1,515.75, range and heating plant for same, sewer and sewer pipe, water pipe to barn and sundry small items	2,263.22
For expenses of farm, including ploughing the land and sowing the seed, threshing grain and cutting hay and repairs during the year	803.49
Total	<u>\$11,522.76</u>

This leaves a balance on hand in special or permanent fund of \$1,649.80, and against which we owe the final payment on the hospital and for the bedsteads and mattresses that have just arrived from the East, the former amounting to \$1,533.50, and the latter to \$250.96.

The boiler at the pump house is said to be so badly worn as to be practically unserviceable. Your attention was called in our report of two years ago to the great importance of this boiler, and the pump for which it furnishes the steam. The Home and all the buildings connected therewith are supplied with water pumped from the Flathead River. A new pump was asked for at that time and the appropriation made. It has been satisfactory in every respect, and we have nothing to fear so far as the pump is concerned. The boiler, however, has been a constant source of anxiety for the past year. It was the gift of the good people of Columbia Falls in the spring of 1897; was old when we got it and has not missed a day's pumping from that time to this, more than three and a half years. An appropriation is asked for, for a new one, which we trust will be granted.

The heating plant in the main building is wholly insufficient. It consists of two furnaces, set in battery and walled up. When they were put in it was of course, supposed that they would do the work, but in this we were disappointed. It has been almost a total failure, getting worse every year. On any day with a temperature slightly lower than the ordinary, and every day when the wind blows from the north and east, which is the prevalent direction here, no heat at all can be had on the north side of the building. Stoves are required in the hospital, commandant's office, library and smoking-room, and in

every room where men stay in the day time. It is our intention to have a new furnace for the north side of the building alone, and repair the others and endeavor to make them heat the remainder of the building. An appropriation is asked for this purpose.

There have been raised on the farm belonging to the Home, during the past year, 204 bushels oats, 147 bushels wheat, and 22 tons grain hay. The estimated value of the above is \$331.50. Of garden stuff we had potatoes, onions, peas, beets, rutabagas, cabbage, mangle wrutzels and carrots of the value of \$185. We have also raised ten dozen chickens, five turkeys and six hogs.

With this report we submit estimates of expenses and funds required for the years ending November 30, 1901, and 1902. We desire to assure your Excellency that these estimates have been prepared with great care and with an idea of asking for nothing not, in our opinion, actually necessary. We trust they will meet with the approval of the Governor of Montana.

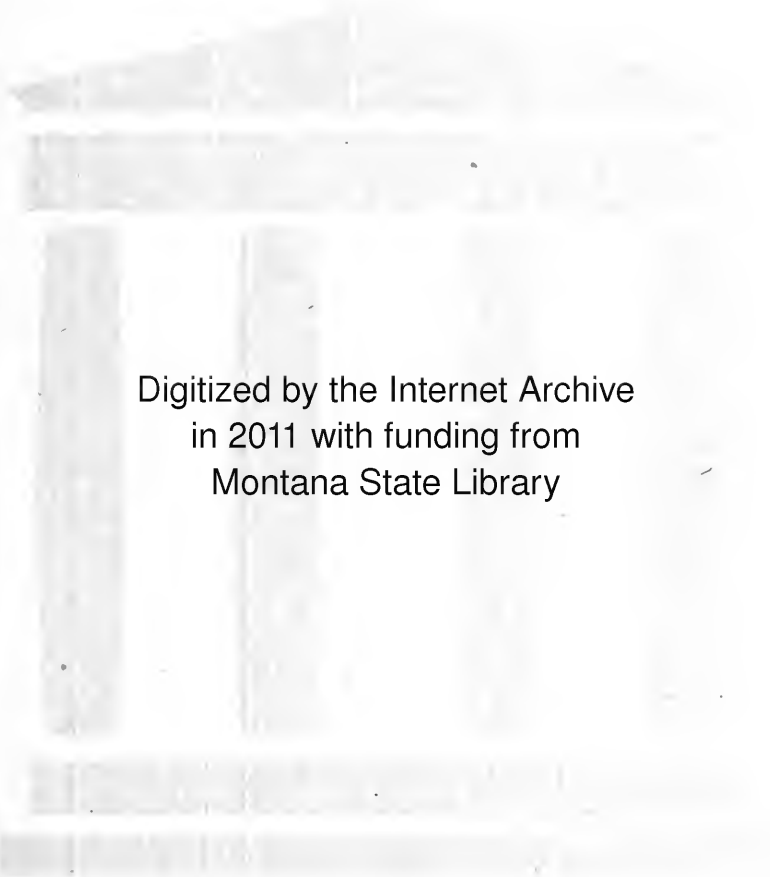
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DESCRIPTIVE LIST OF INMATES OF MONTANA SOLDIERS'

Names	Company	Regiment	Rank	Length of Service in Months	Nativity	Age	Pensions Per Month
Abbott, T. F.	A	9th N. Y. Inf.	Private	25	New York	57	\$ 8 00
Anderson, David L.	B	99th Ohio Inf.	Capt.	34	Ohio	60	6 00
Buttolph, James H.	B	74th Ill. Inf.	Private	22	Vermont	68	6 00
Bannon, Michael		U. S. Navy	Landsman	38	Ireland	61	6 00
Bailey, Mark W.	A	1st Maine Cav.	Private	9	Maine	54	.....
Bloom, Henry C.	A	U. S. Hospital.	Private	94	Ohio	59	.....
Brown, Augustus L.	M	8th Ohio Inf.	Private	7	Ohio	56	10 00
Bischoff, W. H. F.	K	1st Minn. Artillery	Private	58	Pennsylvania	60	6 00
Burnham, Eugene W.		10th U. S. Inf.	Private	12	Maine	59	.....
Bridgens, Robert	D	2d Minn. Inf.	Seaman	17	Pennsylvania	41	.....
Bradford, Hosea J.	K	U. S. Navy	Private	3	N. Hampshire	73	8 00
Bender, William	H	1st Vermont Inf.	Private	40	Waryland	54	.....
Christy, Thomas S.	A	1st Maryland Inf.	Private	35	Pennsylvania	64	6 00
Crutzman, William	D	17th Penn. Cav.	Private	38	Germany	64	10 00
Clougherty, Martin		1st Mo. Artillery	Private	1	Massachusetts	55	6 00
Cutler, Thomas K.		U. S. Navy	Landsman	64	Illinois	57	.....
Crahn, John G.	E	11th Mo. Inf.	Private	33	Pennsylvania	71	10 00
Conroy, Patrick W.		16th Penn. Cav.	Private	48	Ireland	55	.....
Caton, Jeremiah	F	U. S. Marine Corps	Private	21	Maryland	61	6 00
Darcy, Peter		2d Ark. Inf.	Private	3	Ireland	64	8 00
Danbigne, Philip E.		U. S. Navy	Mate	36	Ontario	57	.....
Downey, John	F	10th U. S. Inf.	Private	6	Michigan	35	6 00
Edwards, Hiram K.	E	30th Mich. Inf.	Private	50	N. Hampshire	65	.....
Elzea, Legrand	B	3d Wis. Inf.	Capt.	16	New York	61	.....
England, John	B	15th N. Y. Eng'rs	Private	12	Ohio	66	8 00
Ford, Patrick	D	5th Cal. Inf.	Private	30	Maine	60	.....
Gregg, William H.	A	6th Cal. Inf.	Bugler	46	Pennsylvania	71	15 00
Hessler, Martin	A	21st Ind. Inf.	Corporal	50	Germany	58	12 00
Hopkins, Francis	G	72d N. Y. Inf.	Drummer	37	New York	71	8 00
Hanley, Archibald	H	3th Michigan Inf.	Private	9	Vermont	62	.....
Hinds, Orange S.	C	14th Vermont Inf.	Private	15	Ohio	52	10 00
Holman, Isaac	F	7th U. S. Inf.	Sergt.	21	Indiana	54	6 00
Hadden, Samuel	D	40th Ind. Inf.	Private	55	New York	66	.....
Harvey, Harry H.	E	34 Hancock Vet.	Sergt.	4	England	55	8 00
Jones, Michael T.	I	U. S. Cav.	Private	33	Pennsylvania	58	.....
Jones, William C.	K	138th Ohio Inf.	Private	36	New York	70	8 00
Johnson, King	K	38th Penn. Inf.	2d Lieut.	13	S. Carolina	63	.....
Janes, Benjamin F.	H	66th Ill. Inf.	Private	6	Maryland	67	10 00
Jones, John W.	D	21st U. S. Col'd Inf.	Private	34	North Wales	58	10 00
Koser, Frank B.	C	144th Ind. Inf.	Sergt.	45	Pennsylvania	67	6 00
King, Michael J.	D	1st Col. Cav.	Private	4	S. Carolina	56	12 00
Kesner, Eliphay	D	2d Minn. Inf.	Private	52	Pennsylvania	66	6 00
Kennedy, Andrew	G	23d Ohio Inf.	Capt.	51	New York	67	8 00
King, Geo. W.	K	N. Y. Inf.	Sergt.	36	Pennsylvania	60	.....
Lyon, Charles M.	I	5th U. S. Artillery	Private	34	New York	62	8 00
Lundy, Nathan	B	136th N. Y. Inf.	Private	48	Iowa	60	6 00
Lyon, R. E.	K	1st Iowa Cav.	Private	50	Indiana	56	.....
Lovell, Warren	G	21 Iowa Inf.	Private	16	New York	72	12 00
Morley, Newton H.	K	2d Ill. Inf.	Private	12	New York	64	8 00
Mann, David	B	25th Conn. Inf.	Private	48	Maryland	59	8 00
Morley, Arual	I	6th Iowa Inf.	Private	48	New York	67	6 00
Morley, Asahel W.	C	3d Wis. Inf.	Private	13	New York	66	14 00
Matthews, Lyman	E	3d Minn. Inf.	Private	36	New York	60	12 00
Murphy, Michael	B	63d N. Y. Inf.	Private	31	Ireland	60	6 00
Murphy, Peter	E	63d N. Y. Inf.	Private	26	England	54	8 00
McGilligan, Joseph H.	D	3d N. Y. Inf.	Corporal	37	Pennsylvania	53	10 00

HOME, DECEMBER 1st, 1899, WITH THOSE ADMITTED SINCE.

Disability	From What County Admitted	When Admitted	Married or Single	Read and Write	Occupation	Remarks
Rheumatism	Flathead	July 25, '97	Single	Yes	Engineer	
Acute Bronchitis	Flathead	Apr. 14, 1900	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Bullet Wound	Lewis & Clarke	July 15, '97	Single	Yes	Farmer	
Rheumatism	Lewis & Clarke	July 10, '97	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Rhm'tism, Heart Trouble	Park	Aug. 26, '97	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Chronic Rheumatism	Fergus	Nov. 22, '97	Single	Yes	Druggist	
Hernia	Lewis & Clarke	Apr. 22, '98	Single	Yes	Com'l Trav.	
Deafness & Rheumatism	Cascade	Feb. 8, '99	Single	Yes	Cook	
General Debility	Flathead	Dec. 31, '99	Single	Yes	Laborer	Died July 23, 1900
Epileptic Fits	Lewis & Clarke	July 14, 1900	Single	Yes	Miner	
Heart Trouble	Lewis & Clarke	May 11, 1900	Single	Yes	Carpenter	
Bronchitis	Jefferson	July 18, 1900	Single	Yes	Miner	
Rheu'tism, Injur'd Spine	Flathead	July 8, '98	Single	Yes	Farmer	
Chronic Rheumatism	Fergus	Nov. 12, '97	Single	Yes	Laborer	Disch'd Dec. 3, '99
Right Hand Off.	Flathead	July 8, '98	Single	Yes	Teamster	
Tubercle in Left Hand	Lewis & Clarke	Feb. 17, '99	Married	Yes	Trackman	
Paralysis	Lewis & Clarke	Dec. 22, '99	Single	Yes	Farmer	Died Mar. 4, 1900
Hernia	Flathead	Oct. 28, 1900	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Rheumatism, Dropsy	Teton	Nov. 11, 1900	Married	Yes	Farmer	
Hernia	Teton	Oct. 12, 1900	Single	Yes	Farmer	
Partial Paralysis	Silver Bow	Aug. 10, '98	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Broken Leg, Rheu'tism	Deer Lodge	Oct. 10, 1900	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Injury in Back	Flathead	Dec. 20, '98	Single	Yes	Miner	
Chronic Bronchitis	Flathead	Oct. 24, '99	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Chronic Rheumatism	Gallatin	Apr. 3, 1900	Single	Yes	Farmer	
Hernia	Flathead	Mar. 27, 1900	Single	Yes	Tinner	
Hernia	Flathead	Nov. 24, '97	Married	Yes	Farmer	Disch'd Dec. 16, '99
Rheumatism	Silver Bow	Jan. 5, '98	Single	Yes	Baker	Disch'd Aug. 1900.
General Debility	Lewis & Clarke	Apr. 21, '98	Single	Yes	Clerk	
Chronic Rheumatism	Deer Lodge	July 27, '99	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Hernia	Lewis & Clarke	Oct. 6, '98	Single	Yes	Plumber	
Synochus of Knee	Flathead	Feb. 13, '96	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Chronic Diarrhoea	Deer Lodge	Oct. 21, '99	Single	Yes	Miner	
Heart Trouble, Dropsy	Lewis & Clarke	Feb. 26, 1900	Single	Yes	Clerk	Died June 17, 1900.
Sciatic Rheumatism	Silver Bow	Nov. 5, '98	Single	Yes	Miner	
Asthma, Dropsy	Jefferson	Dec. 19, '98	Single	Yes	Miner	Died Sept. 12, 1900.
Piles, Chronic Diarrhoea, Broken Leg	Missoula	Sept. 14, '99	Single	Yes	Bootblack	Disch'd Sept. 5, 1900
Diarrhoea	Flathead	Dec. 4, '94	Single	Yes	Physician	
Rheumatism	Lewis & Clarke	Sept. 28, 1900	Single	Yes	Miner	
Rupture, Tape Worm	Flathead	June 30, '97	Single	Yes	Brickmason	
Heart Disease	Lewis & Clarke	Aug. 20, '97	Single	Yes	Baker	
Rheumatism	Missoula	Oct. 8, '97	Single	Yes	Miner	
Rupture	Missoula	Oct. 9, 1900	Single	Yes	Teamster	
Rheumatism	Flathead	Oct. 29, 1900	Single	Yes	Sawyer	
Rheumatism, Paralysis	Flathead	June 30, '97	Married	Yes	Farmer	
Rheumatism	Flathead	June 18, '98	Single	Yes	Farmer	
Chronic Bronchitis	Flathead	Sept. 30, '98	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Left Shoulder Stiff	Silver Bow	Apr. 1, 1900	Single	Yes	Merchant	
Hernia	Deer Lodge	June 24, '97	Single	Yes	Clerk	
Gunshot Wound	Flathead	Mar. 16, '98	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Rheumatism, Chronic Diarrhoea	Choteau	May 11, '98	Single	Yes	Farmer	
Gunshot Wound	Choteau	Nov. 15, '98	Single	Yes	Millwright	
Scurvy, Wounded Hand	Lewis & Clarke	Oct. 22, '99	Married	Yes	Miner	
Hernia	Silver Bow	Apr. 16, 1900	Single	Yes	Miner	
Blood Poison in Hand	Silver Bow	May 27, 1900	Married	Yes	Tobacconist	
Dislocated Hip, Rhe'tism	Flathead	June 6, '98	Single	Yes	Cook	

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(CONTINUED)

Names	Company	Regiment	Rank	Length of Service in Months.	Nativity	Age	Pensions Per Month
McKenzie, James	B	3d Mass. H. Artillery	Private	25	Scotland	71	6 00
Newell, John B	F	2d U. S. Inf.	Private	41	New York	77	8 00
Osborn, John	E	26th N. Y. Cav.	Private	6	Ireland	57	6 00
Pew, Benjamin F	H	47th Mo. Inf.	Corporal	7	Missouri	55	
Pendergrat, Enos		U. S. Navy		14	Ireland	60	
Redding, Patrick		U. S. Navy	Landsman	12	Ireland	70	
Reese, Geo. S	D	1st Penn. Inf.	Private	45	Pennsylvania	66	6 00
Rice, Geo	B	2d Cal. Inf.	Private	36	Illinois	67	
Ryan, John	C	6th N. Y. Artillery	Private	18	New York	54	8 00
Spragne, J. E	I	33d & 9th N. Y. Inf.	2d Lieut.	51	New York	58	
Sullivan, Jeremiah	E	4th U. S. Artillery	Private	60	Ireland	76	8 00
Stoar, Isaac N	I	18th Ill. Inf.	Private	36	Ohio	62	10 00
Stanley, Geo. H	H	1st Mont. Inf.	Private	8	Wisconsin	24	
Smith, John	E	14th N. Y. Cav.	Corporal	23	Spain	55	
San'ou, Oliver	C	14th U. S. Inf.	Private	9	Pennsylvania	60	10 00
Shockley, William F	G	3d Col. Inf.	Sergt	37	Delaware	70	
Trout, Samuel H	G	23d Iowa Inf.	Private	3	Virginia	80	8 00
Thompson, Charles	F	19th Mass. Inf.	Private	8	Germany	65	12 00
Vance, William H	D	31st Ala. Inf.	Sergt	36	Kentucky	68	
Woods, James	M	7th W. Va. Cav.	Sergt	11	W. Virginia	68	8 00
Williams, Joseph J		Mexican War	Private	13	Indiana	73	8 00

HOME, DECEMBER 1ST, 1899, WITH THOSE ADMITTED SINCE.

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Disability	From What County Admitted	When Ad- mitted	Married or Single.	Read and Write ...	Occupation	Remarks
Rheumatism.....	Beaverhead ...	Aug. 4, '98	Married	Yes	Laborer	
(Loss of Eyesight, Old Age.....)	Deer Lodge....	Oct. 11, '99	Single	Yes	Blacksmith..	
Rhenmatism.....	Lewis & Clarke	Oct. 19, '97	Single	Yes	Lab rer	
Paralysis.....	Flathead	Dec. 10, '99	Single	No.	Blacksmith..	
Rheumtism.....	Missoula	Nov. 11, 1900	Single	Yes	Miner	
Partially Blind.....	Park.....	Aug. 21, '97	Single	Yes	Farmer	
General Disability.....	Park.....	Nov. 22, '98	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Old Age, Stiff Arm.....	Silver Bow	Aug. 16, '99	Single	Yes	Miner	
Asthma.....	Lewis & Clarke	Nov. 19, '99	Single	Yes	Laborer	Disc'd May 7, 1900
Cystitis.....	Flathead	June 17, '97	Married	Yes	Carpenter ..	
Rheumatism.....	Park.....	Aug. 21, '97	Single	Yes	Clerk.....	
Paralysis, Deafness	Lewis & Clarke	Apr. 22, '99	Single	Yes	Farmer	
Pleurisy.....	Flathead	Jan. 17, 1900	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Collar Bone Broken ..	Flathead	May 18, 1900	Single	Yes	Miner	
Paralysis.....	Lewis & Clarke	June 27, 1900	Single	Yes	Builder.....	
Part'ly Blind, Rhen'tism	Lewis & Clarke	Oct. 14, 1900	Single	Yes	Laborer	
Paralysis.....	Madison	Apr. 1, 1900	Single 2	Yes	Miner	Died Oct. 11, 1900
Rheumatism.....	Cascade.....	Apr. 9, '99	Single	Yes	Shoemaker ..	Disc'd Apr. 19, 1900
Asthma.....	Broadwater ..	Sept. 29, '99	Single	Yes	Miner	Died Dec. 7, '99
Chronic Rheumatism ..	Sweet Grass...	July 10, '99	Single	Yes	Boatman	
Epilepsy.....	Lewis & Clarke	July 11, '99	Single	Yes	Attorney	

